

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

Claims 1-30 (Cancelled)

31. (currently amended) A[[n]] portable computing device including a selectively removable communication apparatus [[to]] provided input/output functionality in conjunction with an off-the-shelf portable computing device, said apparatus therewith comprising:

a portable computing device having a housing having at least one selectable docking port associated therewith, a selectively removable communication apparatus having at least two selectable docking ports such that the communication apparatus is capable of mechanically docking and electronically interfacing to [[a]] the portable computing device in at least two operable configurations relative to the portable computing device.

32. (currently amended) The apparatus according to claim 31, wherein the input/output unit communication apparatus is a cellular telephone, and is selectively docked to the portable computing device to provide communication capabilities for the integrated system formed when docked therewith in conjunction with the portable computing device.

33. (currently amended) The apparatus according to claim [[32]] 31, wherein the cellular telephone communication apparatus includes a user interface keypad, a display, and a docking connector port for mating with a standard electrical connector the at least one docking port associated with the portable computing device.

34. (currently amended) The apparatus according to claim 31, wherein the portable housing communication apparatus includes an additional a keypad interface on both sides thereof, each of which [[is]] are individually accessible when docked to the portable computing device in at least one operable configuration.

35. (currently amended) The apparatus according to claim [[32]] 31, wherein the cellular telephone communication apparatus is docked to the front of the portable computing device such

that a[[n]] electrical docking connector of the portable computing device mates with a docking connector on the ~~cellular telephone communication apparatus~~, with the front of the ~~cellular telephone communication apparatus~~ facing outward and the back of the ~~cellular telephone communication apparatus~~ covering the front a display of the portable computing device to act as a lid for the portable computing device.

36. (currently amended) The apparatus according to claim [[32]] 31, wherein the ~~cellular telephone communication apparatus~~ is fully operational when docked to the portable computing device or when undocked, and data may be exchanged between the portable computing device and the ~~cellular telephone via a docking connector communication apparatus~~.

37. (currently amended) The apparatus according to claim [[32]] 31, wherein the ~~cellular telephone communication apparatus~~ includes a first side having at least a first interface keypad, a display and a first docking connector, and a back side having at least a second docking connector for mating with a[[n]] electrical connector associated with the portable computing device.

38. (currently amended) The apparatus according to claim 37, wherein the back side of the ~~cellular telephone communication apparatus~~ further comprises a second keypad for data entry, wherein the ~~cellular telephone communication apparatus~~ may be docked with its front side or back side facing the portable computing device.

39. (currently amended) The apparatus according to claim 38, wherein the first and second docking connectors allow the ~~cellular telephone communication apparatus~~ to be coupled to the portable computing device in different orientations.

40. (currently amended) The apparatus according to claim 39, wherein one of the orientations is such that the front of the ~~cellular telephone communication apparatus~~ covers the bottom portion of the front of the portable computing device, such that the display associated with the portable computing device is visible to [[the]] an user, and the ~~second a~~ keyboard associated with the ~~cellular telephone communication apparatus~~ is accessible.